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*In re* application of: ) Docket No. MIPFP067  
Toshihiro SHIMA ) Examiner: Y. Qin  
Application No. 10/723,231 ) Group Art Unit: 2625  
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**ELECTION OF CLAIMS FOR PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this paper in response to the Office Action dated December 10, 2007. In response to the restriction requirement, Applicant hereby elects claims 1-18 (the Group I claims) for prosecution on the merits.

Applicant respectfully requests examination on the merits for the subject application. If any fees are due to effect consideration of this paper, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. MIPFP067).

Respectfully submitted,  
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